to marry his wife Ida, who has been a lifetime partner in his service and civic endeavors. Their names grace a continuing education center in Chapel Hill and an education innovation center in Raleigh, both of which host hundreds of gatherings each year, promoting collaboration and furthering the causes to which the Fridays' lives have been dedicated.

Fortunately, nothing Bill Friday has done in the last few years suggests his life will begin to slow down as he turns 90. I am honored to know Bill and to call attention to his service to our state and her citizens. The Tarheel State owes much to him.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MR. RAY HELMS, SR.

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, July 15, 2010

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Ray Helms, Sr., a Northwest Florida leader who passed away on July 11, 2010. Mr. Helms spent his life serving his community and his country. I am proud to honor his lifetime of dedication and service.

Throughout his 84 years, Mr. Helms lived as a rare example of a man always ready to give selflessly of himself. To his family, friends and countless others, Mr. Helms will be remembered as a man who emptied himself to fill the others around him. His life that spanned eight decades will serve as a shining example for all of us to gaze upon and see the full measure of a man.

Mr. Ray Helms served as an important leader in the Northwest Florida community. He was an educator at the former Harold School. He also served as Santa Rosa County Clerk of Court and later became the First Circuit Court Administrator. Whether it was in the classroom or the courtroom, Mr. Helms always sought to bring out the best in those around him.

On behalf of the United States Congress, Madam Speaker, I am honored to recognize the life and deeds of Mr. Ray Helms, Sr. A committed community leader and loving family man—he will be missed by many, but his legacy will remain. My wife Vicki and I extend our thoughts and prayers to the entire Helms family.

A TRIBUTE TO FAY E. MALCOLM-ALLEN

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 15, 2010

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Fay E. Malcolm-Allen for her dedication to education and contributions to the nursing profession.

Fay E. Malcolm-Allen is a 1963 nursing graduate of the University of the West Indies. She worked at Linstead Public Hospital in St. Catherine, Jamaica before migrating to the United States in 1966.

Fay E. Malcolm-Allen pursued her advanced education in New York City by achieving a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, graduating

Cum Laude from Lehman College; Masters of Art, Nursing Administration from Colombia University; Certified Nursing Administration Advanced degree from the American Nurses Association; an Administrative Fellowship from Wharton Business School, University of Pennsylvania, and completed an Executive Development Program at New York University.

Her career in the United States began as Registered Nurse at Maimonides Hospital in Brooklyn, NY. She then spent 12 years employed at Montefiore Hospital as a Registered Nurse, Head Nurse, and Assistant Director of Nursing.

Fay was recruited to Bronx Municipal Hospital where her outstanding skills were acknowledged. She was quickly promoted from Assistant Director of Nursing to Associate Director of Nursing and then to Deputy Director of Nursing. She then moved to the position of Director of Nursing at North Central Bronx Hospital.

During her 14 year tenure at North Bronx Hospital she was promoted to Deputy Executive Director for Nursing and Clinical Services and then became Chief Operating Officer of the Hospital.

Fay E. Malcolm-Allen had 32 years of health care experience before retiring on July 31, 1998 as the Chief Operating Officer of North Central Bronx Hospital.

She has received numerous awards and recognition for her outstanding leadership ability, staff development, patient satisfaction, and advocacy. In her professional role she was described as a dynamic, committed and effective administrator who provided outstanding leadership for the department of Nursing and the Hospital. She promoted collaborative practice and offered and supported innovative and alternative strategies that enhanced personnel and patient satisfaction.

Fay has mentored graduate, high school and elementary school students and was instrumental in helping to define issues related to nursing education and practice in her role as Adjunct Professor at Lehman College.

Since retiring she has pursued her artistic interests which include painting, jewelry making, card making, scrapbooking, sewing and gardening. She remains active and enjoys walking and Zumba dancing.

Fay is married to Percy Allen II. They now reside in Virginia Beach, VA.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the achievements of Fay E. Malcolm-Allen.

A TRIBUTE IN MEMORY OF KATHERINE JOANNE HUGHES

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 15, 2010

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary life of a distinguished woman, Katherine Joanne Hughes, known to all as Jody, who died peacefully surrounded by her children on June 13, 2010, at the age of 81.

Jody Hughes was born in Washington D.C. to William A. Smith, Jr. and Lillian V. Lamb. She attended Immaculata High School and graduated from the College of Notre Dame of Maryland. Until his death in 2005, she was the

wife of Paul E. 'Ed' Hughes for 54 years and they were the proud parents of five children: Mary Hughes and her husband, Senator S. Joseph Simitian, Jr. of California, Paul, K.C. (John), John (Kelly), and Mark (Judy), and grandchildren lan, Tucker, and Lily Halpern and K.C., Dean, Madeline, and Ted Hughes.

Jody Hughes was an extraordinary and inspirational mother, and was devoted to her community and always available for those in need. She was a speech therapist and an advocate for children and Chaired the Governor's Advisory Commission on the Needs of Exceptional Children. She worked with the Little Sisters of the Poor to provide outdoor experiences for underprivileged children and served as a Eucharistic Minister at St. Joseph's on the Brandywine Catholic Parish in Wilmington, Delaware.

Jody Hughes retired to Sunset Beach, North Carolina, where she joined the Board of Hope Harbor Home, a shelter for women. She established several resale shops to support the shelter, and founded a library that bears her name. She served on the Board of the Ingram Planetarium and was a North Carolina Governor's Award Nominee for Outstanding Volunteer Service in 1999. Jody enjoyed needlework and she loved the theater. She directed several youth casts for One Act play contests, often volunteered as a makeup artist, and served as Mistress of Ceremonies for charity fashion shows.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in extending our deepest sympathies to the family of Jody Hughes for a life lived so well as a loving wife, an exceptional mother, and as a caring human being who served so many. She was a great and good woman whom I had the privilege to meet, and we honor her for making her community better and our country stronger.

IN HONOR OF GERRY NELSON

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 15, 2010

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I am pleased to inform the United States House of Representatives that Gerry Nelson has been awarded the honor of Democrat of the Year in Lakewood, Ohio. An unreconstructed, New Deal Democrat, Gerry Nelson has long stood for the values of dignity for workers, jobs for all, health care for all, and peace.

Gerry Nelson has demonstrated a lifetime of service to her community. She has long been active with railroad retirees, where she has taken lessons from a long career of work into a sphere where she continues to protect the rights of working men and women to a secure retirement. Gerry Nelson is also a stalwart supporter of the activities of the Northcoast AFI—CIO.

In addition to her commitment to the rights of workers, Gerry Nelson has become a champion of senior citizens, especially in Lakewood, Ohio. She has been their advocate, their voice, a person who will carry seniors' concerns to every level of government to ensure their health and safety.

Gerry Nelson performed outstanding service as a member of the 10th District Congressional staff, doing case work and field work with equal excellence. She became a popular figure in the community because she always seems to be at the right place at the right time whenever people need help.

That Gerry Nelson should be recognized as the Lakewood Democrat of the Year is a culmination of a life of service to the Democratic Party and to the Lakewood community.

Madam Speaker and colleagues, please join me in congratulating Gerry Nelson not only for her work in Lakewood, Ohio, but because she represents a lifetime of dedication to others which makes her a great American.

MEMORIALIZING BOB BACKUS

HON. TOM McCLINTOCK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES $Thursday, July\ 15,\ 2010$

Mr. McCLINTOCK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember Bob Backus, a friend and devoted patriot.

Bob and his wife of fifty-seven years, Nancy, lived in Lincoln, California. Bob and Nancy raised their children: Robert, Tami and Tina, who watched and learned from their father's commitment to serving his community and others. Bob served as the Chaplain for Vine Life Ministries, ready to respond to calls night or day, going wherever people needed help. He gave freely of his time to renovate and decorate old wagons for which he became famous, painting them red, white and blue and displaying them in local fairs and parades.

Bob spent many years as an advocate for the founding principles of our nation, volunteering and serving as an elected member of local political groups. Thomas Jefferson once said that "timid men prefer the calm of despotism to the tempestuous sea of liberty;" it is safe to say that Bob Backus not only chose to chance the waters himself, but through his ardent devotion to his beloved country assured a brighter future for his posterity.

Bob will be sorely missed by his friends, family and the countless individuals whose lives he touched.

CIGNA WINS "WELLNESS BY DESIGN" AWARD

HON. ERIK PAULSEN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, July 15, 2010

Mr. PAULSEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Eden Prairie, Minnesota-based CIGNA company for winning the 2010 "Wellness by Design Award" from Hennepin County for the third consecutive year. CIGNA, a national health service company, earned the Platinum award—the highest level of award possible.

Cigna, which employs nearly 1,200 hundred people, provides health coaching programs for tobacco cessation, weight loss and stress, and a nationally-recognized employee assistance program.

Hennepin County—which comprises most of the Third Congressional District—honors business and schools with Wellness by Design awards for fostering safe and healthy work and learning environments. CIGNA's selection as a Wellness by Design award winner is a tremendous example of a company that has taken the initiative in providing employees and customers alike with a safe and healthful place to work because it results in better outcomes for everyone involved.

I congratulate CIGNA on winning this award and look forward to honoring them again in 2011.

TRIBUTE TO DAVID ECHOLS, A LEADER IN ALABAMA INDUSTRIAL RECRUITMENT

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, July 15, 2010

Mr. BONNER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to mark the passing of a giant personality in my home state's industrial recruitment efforts and an individual who was one of the most influential for transforming Alabama into the auto manufacturing hub of the South.

David Echols passed away on June 20, 2010. For most Alabamians, David Echols might not be a household name, but his legacy—both inside and outside our state—is monumental.

Back in the early 1990s, David Echols, a project manager with the Alabama Development Office, was tasked, nearly single-handedly, by state officials to go after a major unknown manufacturer. He had no idea at the time that Mercedes Benz was on the other end of his recruiter's fishing line, but he confidently cast his lure and after expert angling, reeled in what many believe to be Alabama's biggest-ever industrial recruitment prize.

Mercedes not only located in Vance, Alabama, but also expanded its operations, and with it, enabled Alabama to capture the eye of many other manufacturers.

For many, this would have been a success to crown one's career, but for David, it was just another day at the office. He continued to earn his reputation as a tireless advocate for Alabama, pressing ahead to help land Toyota's truck engine manufacturing plant in Huntsville, Honda's SUV auto manufacturing facility in Lincoln, and Hyundai's North American manufacturing base in Montgomery, Alabama.

Those who worked with David have observed that he possessed the skills and energy of a team of individuals and it will require more than one person to fill his enormous shoes. They also note that he relished in getting the job done, rather than standing in the spotlight—a role he left to others.

Echols' passage at the young age of 53 is a loss for his family and our entire state. I regret that his remarkable efforts on behalf of Alabama workers were not better known during his lifetime. He deserves to be remembered for contributions which certainly equal those of any of our elected officials.

To David's wife, Cynthia Nicholson Echols, and his daughters, Elizabeth Smith Melancon and Mary Katherine Echols, I extend my condolences and prayers in this time of loss. The entire state of Alabama has been made better by the unselfish service of your husband and father. May he rest in peace.

HONORING EUNICE BOROVIK

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 15, 2010

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of a great and respected Chicagoan, Eunice Borovik, who recently passed away at the age of 88. Eunice Borovik was a woman who lived life to the fullest, and the friends and family she had are a testament to the quality of her character and the type of woman she was.

Eunice's top priority was always her family and the love and support they provided her was most important in her life. She married her husband, Jerry, and together the couple raised two sons, George and his wife Jolanta, and Andrew and his wife Catherine. Her family also includes her two grandsons, Jed and Caleb.

Following her 1979 election, Eunice continued her voluntary tenure as Portage Park Chamber of Commerce President for 21 years. As Alderman Levar stated in a City Council resolution, "Eunice Z. Borovik has created, planned and helped carry out projects beneficial to all those good citizens who have lived, worked, and prospered in Portage Park . . . , heralding an era of uncommon growth and achievement." She improved the long overdue streetscape in the early 1980s and worked with what is now known as the Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy (CAPS) in the Chicago Police Department to reduce crime.

Eunice and her late husband were owners and managers of the local Bee Drug Store in the Cragin neighborhood and the family business, Borovik Drug Company in Portage Park, for nearly 35 years. Following her retirement as president of the Portage Park Chamber of Commerce in 2000, the City Council of Chicago gave a portion of West Irving Park Road the honorary name "Eunice Borovik Way."

Madam Speaker, Eunice Borovik was an inspiration to all who knew her. I ask my colleagues to join me in commemorating her incredible life and her extraordinary contributions to the Portage Park and Irving Park communities.

HONORING 100 YEARS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 15, 2010

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Pontifical Institute of the Religious Teachers Filippini in Morristown, New Jersey, which is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year.

In August of 1910, five teachers, under the orders of Pope Pius X arrived in Trenton, New Jersey, from Italy and established their first center of worship. Then in 1930, they settled on Tower Hill in Morristown, New Jersey, now known as Villa Walsh in honor of Archbishop Thomas Joseph Walsh, where the Provincial Motherhouse and Villa Walsh Academy are located.

Mother Ninetta Ionata, one of the five original teachers sent to the United States, holds